

Stevenson & Co.

717-719 Kansas Avenue.

Carpets, Curtains, Draperies, Etc.

Spring is at hand and the season advanced for the semi-annual house cleaning and re-decorating of our homes.

We invite you to call and inspect the beautiful array of goods displayed in our upholstery department from the cheapest grades to the best materials in both foreign and domestic manufacture.

We call your special attention, first, to our Lace Curtains, in the various grades, running from the Nottingham at 90c to \$5.00 per pair, Irish Point from \$3.75 to \$9.00 per pair, Swiss Curtains from \$4.25 to \$7.50 per pair, Brussels Curtains from \$7.50 and upward, Guipure Curtains \$4.25 pair, Antique Curtains \$5.75 per pair.

Our assortment of Muslins for Sash Curtains is complete in every particular, from the Tambour, 15c per yd., to the Egyptian Net at 65c, comprising the largest collection of patterns ever shown in this city. Madras from 30c to 65c per yd., in ecru, lemon and tinted shades. Silkline in choice designs and colorings, with fringes to match. The largest assortment of Chenille Curtains ever exhibited by us and at the lowest prices ever offered—from \$2.98 to \$15.00 per pair.

An elegant assortment of Silk Portieres from \$8.75 to \$13.50 per pair.

Beautiful patterns in China Silk from 65c to \$1 yd. We have several pieces of plain China Silk, reduced from 75c and 65c to 42c per yd.

Furniture Coverings.

We have material for covering your furniture from 50c and upwards.

Bamboo Curtains, new patterns, from \$4 to \$5.50 each.

Rope Portieres in the latest colorings and style, ranging from \$5 to \$8 each. One portiere is wide enough for double doors.

Shades. Shades.

We have ready made shades from 25c to 75c each. Also a large assortment of material for shades, such as Opaque, etc., which we make up to your order on short notice. Workmanship guaranteed.

Curtain Poles and a general line of Upholstery Hardware, Fringes, Cords, Gimps, Curtain Loops, etc.

Carpets.

On the same floor is a veritable carpet store—the best lighted, the most extensive, the largest stocked carpet wareroom in Kansas.

Our assortment of Axminsters, Moquettes, Tapestries, Body Brussels and Ingrain carpets is unparalleled. We can sell you Ingrain carpets at 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c per yard.

Anyone can afford to cover their rooms at these prices.

We are headquarters for Straw Mattings. Just think of buying a fair quality of matting at 14c yd.

We will be pleased to show you our goods even if you are not quite ready to buy—we are confident when you decide to carpet that room, you will bear in mind what you have seen here.

Dress Goods.

Grenadines in plain and iron frame, plain satin stripes and brocade satin stripes.

Kafatsuke Crepe in black and colors—The success of the season.

Fancy Silks for waists and garnitures—They are lovely; the talk of the city.

Habitau and Kai Ki Silks—The wash silk for waists are very desirable.

Natural Pongees—A good assortment from 25c to 65c yd.

Printed China Silk—A large line in both light and dark grounds, including a good selection of the celebrated "Cheney Bros." make.

Black Wool Goods.

We consider that we have the largest stock, newest styles and best values of any house in Kansas. Some of the special things in the Priestley's make are Tamise, in figured and plain, Melrose in plain and stripe, Challes, Nun's Veiling, Ravenna, Railway Cord. Special attention is called to the following: The best Croise in the market for 75c, Cravenette, 45-in., at \$1.25. Another case of those India Twills and Henriettas, 45-in. wide, at 59 cents.

We are prepared to supply goods for graduating dresses, in Silk: White China, Pongee, Shanghai, Surah, Faille and Crepe. In Wool: Cashmere, Henrietta, Albatross, Nun's Veiling, Foul'e, etc.

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MARY LEASE WRITES

Regarding the Hitchcock Examination Which Began Today.

DON'T WANT HIM WHITEWASHED

Senator Householder is Bent on Pulling Hitchcock Through if There's Any Chance to Do It.

Senator Householder seems to have attempted to steal a march on Mrs. Mary E. Lease in calling the state board of charities together at this time for the investigation of the charges against Supt. Hitchcock at the reform school. As has been stated Hitchcock is the protégé of Householder. Mrs. Lease is dissatisfied with him. The following letter from Mrs. Lease at Rushville, Indiana, was received today by Mrs. Lease's secretary in this city, Mrs. Dr. Haviland:

"I will attend the next meeting of the board. I heard yesterday that Householder had called a meeting for April 23 to investigate 'whitewash' matters at the reform school. I telegraphed him to postpone the investigation till the regular meeting of the board, as it was important that the full board be present, and there was no need of putting the expense of a called meeting on the people of Kansas.

"There have been serious complaints for a year from Hitchcock's lack of management, yet he is kept there in defiance of good citizens, law and order, for 'political purposes'.

The board was convened today at 2 p. m., without the presence of Mrs. Lease. All the other members of the board are present.

The investigation is being held at the Reform school. The complaints are represented by Noah Allen and the charges were formally presented to the board a week ago. E. W. Justice is one of the principal witnesses. He was a teacher in the institution and was discharged by Hitchcock at about the time the charges were presented. D. T. Jones who is now on the police force will also appear before the board. He was formerly an engineer in the institution.

There are twelve distinct charges against Superintendent Hitchcock, the most prominent being: That he intentionally beat four boys in the bath room on their bare backs with a raw hide and that he locked up in the dungeon and nearly starved a boy who tried to escape. He is also charged with extreme carelessness by which the meat belonging to the institution was destroyed by fire.

Householder, who is now chairman of the board, secured Hitchcock's appointment and he is determined to stay by his man to the last. He has said since the formal charges have been presented that he did not think there was any truth in them.

If the board whitewashes Hitchcock an investigation will be immediately demanded of the governor.

HAVE IT IN FOR LEWELLING.

Labor Unions Against Him on Account of Todd's Appointment.

The state federation of labor has opened up its war on the state administration. An address to the labor unions throughout the state has been issued, signed by the president and secretary.

The address is an arraignment of the state labor bureau. It says that the legislature created the bureau for the benefit of the wage earners in the state.

The address asserts that Gov. Lewelling agreed to place the labor bureau in control of a man recommended by organized labor but when the name of such a man was presented the governor totally disregarded his pledges and turned the office over to a "political" state official, pressed with the political omnipotence of the farmer and that he has diverted the work of the bureau from its true channel.

The address gives the report of the labor commissioner on the agricultural industry some attention and says he has invaded the rights of organized labor. It therefore calls upon all trade unionists to assist in the defeat of Governor Lewelling and asserts that the Kansas federation will always adhere to the principle that the Kansas labor commissioner shall be a representative union man.

STATE HOUSE NOTES.

Some Items of Interest Picked Up in Office and Corridor.

Marion county has drawn \$90 rebate from the World's fair fund.

Miss Grace Darlow, of the state historical society, has gone to California for an extended stay.

Brigadier General Fears has been ordered to muster in the new company D, at Erie, Kansas, April 25.

Adjutant General Davis has commissioned G. A. Hart, of Eureka, as second lieutenant of the Eureka company.

Superintendent of Insurance Snider has returned from Wichita, where he assisted in the initiation of 17 candidates in Scottish right degree of Masonry. He delivered an address at the banquet.

The secretary of the state board of health, Dr. H. A. Dykes, is sending out a request for all physicians to meet in this city May 15. They will confer about medical legislation, with a view to shutting out medical quacks.

The board of pardons has completed its work and adjourned. Hereafter the cases will be docketed and heard in turn. About 25 cases were rejected and a few are still under advisement. The next session of the board will be held July 3.

The daughters of ex-Surveyor General Calhoun, who was prominently connected with the early history of Kansas, have sent a large photograph of their father to Secretary Adams, of the state historical society. It will be placed among the pictures of noted men.

The Vassar Creek Cheese factory, of Dover township, Shawnee county, has received a charter from the secretary of state. The capital stock is \$800.

The directors are A. T. Garwood, Z. T. Fitzgerald, Wm. Glickerson, John Miller and John Lytle, all of Valencia, Kansas.

Althen & McManus have put on 20 tailors, which enables us to turn out more work than before. Frank Megow is at the head of the cutting department. Our prices are as low as ever and our stock complete.

POPULAR PRICE TAILORS, 610 Kansas ave.

POLICE COURT NOTES.

James Atterbridge, a son of Policeman Atterbridge, was fined \$10 for trespassing on railroad property. He was arrested for looting in the Union Pacific depot.

Fred Noark pleaded guilty to the charge of "drunk," and was fined \$5. E. Halbrick forfeited a \$5 deposit for fast driving.

A large woman with a very black eye was before Judge Ensminger this morning. She lives on East Fifth street. S. E. Spencer said she had trouble with several men late Friday night and was hit in the quarrel. All the men escaped except F. E. Talbert, who forfeited a \$5 deposit. The woman offered no explanation. "You can look me up if you want to," she said, "but I will get a lawyer and fight this thing." She was fined \$5.

J. Beeler was fined \$10 this morning in police court. He and a companion stopped Albert Williams, Mrs. Williams and Clara Goodman on the street Sunday afternoon and insulted the women and cursed Williams. They called Officer Campbell and the men ran. After a long and exciting race, Beeler sunk to the ground exhausted and the long winded officer picked him up. He paid his fine.

Jordan Martin is locked up at the police station on the charge of keeping a gambling house. He lives on Clay street. Martin is a colored man who wears a garment which looks very much like a woman's dress. He has gold rings in his ears. When arraigned this morning he pleaded not guilty and his case was continued.

GOING TO ST. LOUIS.

Mr. Charles P. Elliott to Take Charge of Pope's Theater There.

Charles P. Elliott, manager of the Grand opera house in this city, has been offered the management of Pope's theater at St. Louis and has decided to accept it. Mr. Elliott is one of the rising young theatrical men of the west, and those who know him are confident that he has a big future before him as a manager. While Topeka people do not like to see him go, they can not but congratulate him on his promotion to larger fields. Mr. Elliott has done the booking for the Crawford circuit for the past two or three years, and the great improvement of the attractions brought here has been noticeable to all.

He is a good business man and a clever gentleman, and his ability to deal with show people who are the most exacting on earth, amounts to a talent.

ONLY A RESOLUTION

Was All the Encouragement That the Shawnee Alliance Gave It.

The Shawnee county Alliance met Saturday afternoon in regular monthly session. The Gulf and Interstate railroad was the subject of discussion. Representatives of the roads were present and told the people present that the road would surely be built, but that there was imperative need of funds. Every one was urged to agitate the question until as much stock as possible had been secured. No stock subscriptions were forthcoming, but a resolution was passed declaring that the Alliance give the project its moral support and assist in taking stock.

Mrs. Bina A. Otis read a paper. Her subject was, "Shall there be an equal suffrage plank in the party platform?" She thought there should.

Union Pacific Arrivals.

Jno. F. Carter, Lessee, S. S. Smith, Abilene; O. Brown, Hays City; H. B. Row, Portsmouth, Ohio; Chas. W. Reeder, Hays City; Fred Back, Atchison; F. D. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo.; J. S. Dean, Marion, Kan.; C. B. Griffith, Kansas City, Mo.; E. A. Egan, Silver Lake; J. A. Davis, Chicago; E. B. Miser, Kansas City, Mo.; F. M. Merideth, Eskridge, Kan.; F. O. McGavie, Quincy, Ill.; W. H. Ketchum, Dwight, Ill.; F. M. Tuttle, Kansas City; John H. Spairo, Ceylon; J. F. Kelly, Kansas City; J. C. Rock Creek; W. G. Liffingwell, Kansas City; W. B. Abilene; H. S. Tidale, Russell; M. A. Waters, St. Joe; C. S. Gillespie, N. H. Loomis, Rob. W. Day & Son, Topeka; J. B. Ryan, Lincoln, Kan.; A. J. Kane, City; P. E. Cooper, St. Joe; E. C. Arnold, City; T. P. Alexander and wife, Marion, Kan.; W. S. Charles and wife, City; Bohm and wife, Kansas City; J. W. Cullen, Kansas City, Kan.; W. S. Stambaugh, Abilene, Kan.

Elks Annual Benefit.

Our enterprising citizens, Messrs. Sells & Rentrow, have concluded to give an extra performance of their big show on Friday evening, April 27, for the charity fund of the Elks. This fund is set aside each year by the lodge and given away in secret to objects of charity, not a hint of it is used to defray the expenses of the lodge, nor is this charity confined to members of the order. The Elks will no doubt make this the biggest success of all their benefits and our citizens should give liberal patronage to this entertainment. The Elks are arranging some novelties that will be well worth seeing. A torchlight parade at 7:30 on Kansas ave.

CHINAMEN MUST GO.

Driven Out by White Miners at the Point of the Revolver.

HESPERUS, Colo., April 23.—The white miners in the La Plata district have determined that no Chinamen shall be permitted to work in this camp.

Two who camped in a gulch above La Plata city have been driven out by a committee of citizens armed with six shooters.

"KINDERSPIEL"

"Punch's" Party at Second Presbyterian Church, April 24 and 25.

Punch..... Hugh Coultis Judy..... Mabel King Jacky light heart..... David Page Red Riding Hood..... Beatie Buncie Lady of Banbury Cross..... Jessie Campbell Tom, the Piper's son..... Jesse Roehr

Band of Merry Maids..... Cora Priddy, Ruby Davis Tom Tucker..... Jimmy Lacey Bo Peep..... Grace Page and chorus of fifty voices.

Admission 15 cents.

Kansas City and Return \$2.00.

On April 25th and 26th, the great Rock Island route will sell tickets to Kansas City and return for two dollars.

Tickets good to return not later than the evening of April 28th.

H. O. GARVEY, City ticket and passenger agent, 601 Kansas avenue, Topeka, Kansas.

Let us remind you that now is the time to take De Witt's Sarsaparilla, it will do you good. It recommends itself. J. K. Jones.

Peerless Steam Laundry at 112 and 114 West 5th.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

DON'T LIKE MRS. LEASE.

State House Officials Talk About Her Renewed Candidacy For Senator.

It is reported that Mary Elizabeth Lease while resting in Chicago last week addressed a hundred or more letters to her Populist friends in Kansas, appealing to them to nominate and support for the legislature only men who could be depended upon to vote against the reelection of United States Senator John Martin. She also called upon her friends to fight fusion in every form it might be presented. She warned them against a scheme which she claimed to have discovered to give the Democrats congressmen in the First and Second districts and the secretary of state and associate justice of the supreme court on the state ticket.

The letter closed with the promise that she would return to Kansas in September to remain and take part in the campaign until the election in November. It was also said that she might be a candidate for senator herself.

When Secretary of State Osborn was told of the report that Mrs. Lease had designs on the United States senate and had addressed letters to prominent Populists asking them to use their influence to keep the Democrats out of the legislature, he looked mad. "It is that old bee in her bonnet again. We are getting very tired of it. I have known for a long time that she would be a candidate, so I see nothing surprising in that announcement."

Auditor Prather said: "I don't see why she is against fusion. She is the original fusionist. She was a delegate in the state convention that nominated Willits and she voted for Robinson. In the convention two years ago she supported John Martin for associate justice. I don't see why she is so strongly opposed to fusion now."

AN EX-POLICEMAN'S IDEA

Of What Should Be Done in Relation to "the Coxey Movement."

To the Editor of the State Journal.

SIR:—The Coxey movement is assuming a serious aspect, it is time for all good citizens to look this matter square in the face and be prepared to meet it; if something is not done, and that speedily, this movement will lead to revolution. My theory is that it is easier to prevent crime, than it is to punish the criminal and a great deal cheaper. Kansas always leads. Let her not lag now. This Coxey army is composed of two distinct classes. The honest unemployed who seek work, they are led and counseled by honest men. The other the dishonest tramp who don't want work, they are led and counseled by anarchists and enemies of good government, and law and order.

We have both classes in Topeka, let us provide work for those who will work, and law and order for those who won't. I believe a fund sufficient to keep our own citizens at work (until this matter is settled by congress), can be raised in the following way: Each person now employed to do any kind of manual work, those getting \$50 per month, \$5 under \$100, \$10; under \$150, \$15; \$150 to \$200, \$20, and such other amounts as they may choose. This fund could be used to grade Kansas avenue north and south, Tenth street west and other avenues; the second or vicious class who can work and won't; put them to breaking rock as provided in the vagrant laws, the rock to be used on the graded streets, thus giving us value received for our money, providing work for our unfortunate citizens, punish the vagrants, and keep peace and good order in our city. Here goes for \$10. Next. Yours for Law and Order, J. F. DEMONT.

BAND CONCERTS TO BEGIN.

They Will Be Given at Garfield Park as Formerly.

A series of open air band concerts by Marshall's military band, will begin at Garfield park on the first Sunday in May, if the weather will permit. These concerts will be continued all summer as they were last season, and at intervals of twice a week.

The band, it is said, has a five-year lease on the park, but the street railway company has no other interest in the park than furnishing transportation to the frequenters of it.

Rock Island Route Excursions.

On Tuesday, April 24, the great Rock Island route will sell round trip tickets at one fare to a great many points in southern Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. If you are wanting to go south or southeast, consult one of the Rock Island agents.

H. O. GARVEY, City Ticket and Passenger Agent, 601 Kansas ave., Topeka, Kansas.

Examine our \$20.00 and \$25.00 dress and business suits.

ALTHEN & McMANUS, Popular Price Tailors, 610 Kansas ave.

Frank L. Megow, Cutter.

The STATE JOURNAL'S Want and Miscellaneous columns reach each working day in the west more than twice as many Topeka people as can be reached through any other paper. This is a fact.

"OUT OF THEIR HIDE."

Pegleg McClafferty Says He Will Collect Fifty Cents That Way.

"Pegleg" McClafferty appeared in police court this morning. This time he was charged with disturbing the peace. He had trouble last night with three men who came into his place and bought hop tea. They said they paid him \$3 and wanted the change. He said one of the men in the party had up the bill. They started out and McClafferty stopped them. During the quarrel that ensued Officer Hicks came up and arrested McClafferty and the three men, who were registered at the police station as Chas. Lindburg, C. Peterson and A. Farsell. They deposited \$5 apiece for their appearance, and failed to appear this morning.

McClafferty appeared and pleaded not guilty. He said he did not receive pay for his hop tea, and was trying to get it when arrested.

He was discharged, but before he left he said: "I want them 50 cents, Judge, and I'll take it out of their hide if you'll let me alone." Judge Ensminger said he wouldn't promise.

CRAP PLAYERS FINED.

Radford Assessed \$50 and Appeals to the District Court.

The case against Frank Radford, charged with keeping a gambling house, was disposed of this morning in police court. Radford was fined \$50 and given a ten day sentence in the city prison. His case was appealed to the district court.

The men arrested in Radford's place were charged with being found in a gambling house. They were playing craps; their names are: Calvin Boyd, Duncan Harmon, Gus Calhoun, Geo. Bradford, Marsh Darritt, Geo. Jackson, Geo. Duncan and Dick Justice. They were all fined \$10 except Justice and he was fined \$25. He has been arrested on the same charge several times before. Justice appealed his case.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

There are forty-five inmates of the county poor house.

Mumps are, or is—whichever way you want it—becoming numerous.

Bishop Vincent is to lecture at Wichita May 10, on "Tom and his teachers."

Saturday night's frost killed the tops of the early potatoes in many places.

Judge Hazen has assigned the civil docket in the district court up to May 5.

A North Topeka man sold three hundred dollars worth of fancy chickens last year.

A sign down on First street reads: "Magick die works," and its no electrocutionary, either.

Among the promiscuous couples on the street yesterday were a colored woman and a white man.

Topeka has seven candidates for offices subject to the nomination of the Republican state convention.

It has been discovered that the Missouri river is in Kansas, the boundary line being the east bank.

The sum of \$3,939 was paid into the city free library last year, and only \$29.63 of this has been drawn out.

The lawyers in the Miller-Danna case have a list of about sixty young men who they claim are as guilty as their clients.

General Artz says he will not accept an office in the Coxey home guard, but will do all he can to assist "the petition with boots on."

The collection taken up at the Coxey meeting Saturday night amounted to \$1.14. This was increased by subscription to \$2.14, to pay the janitor.

In the recent examination of postoffice employees, W. J. Robinson, night paper mailing clerk, scored 100 per cent, and threw 1,004 cards in fifty minutes without making a mistake.

The crowd of men, women and babies that patrol the corner of Second and Kansas avenue every Sunday afternoon when Marshall's band is practicing, testifies to the fact that the band is still popular.

General Artz created a great commotion at the Coxey meeting Saturday night by saying that one of the greatest needs of the nation was honest men in office; men who wouldn't steal if they got a chance.

A well known dry-goods firm advertised "a choice lot of 30 dozen handkerchiefs for ten cents." A colored woman went to the handkerchief counter and laid down her dime, and demanded her "30 dozen handkerchiefs." When she didn't get them she said, "I knowed I couldn't get 'em if I cum after 'em."

Malaria is one of the most insidious of health destroyers. Hood's Sarsaparilla counteracts its deadly poison and builds up the system.

To make the hair grow a natural color, prevent baldness, and keep the scalp healthy, Hall's Hair Renewer was invented, and has proved itself successful.

Ayer's Hair Vigor restores gray hair to its original color, makes it vigorous and abundant.

\$32 calls up the Peerless

Awarded Highest Honors World's Fair.

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder

The only Pure Cream of Tartar Powder.—No Ammonia; No Alum. Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.